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Institute for Educational  
Development, East Africa  
Alumni News

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## Message from Dean Dr Joe Lugalla

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Institute for Educational Development in East Africa, alumni newsletter! IED East Africa is proud of the success of its graduates. Over the last 12 years, our alumni are zealously contributing to the momentum of progress in East Africa's education systems - be it in government, school leadership or development agencies. Our graduates continue to enrich the lives of others through education at all levels. [More](#)

## Alumni Spotlight: Matteo Mwita, '18



**Mwita shares his AKU education with hard to reach areas in Tanzania.**

Working with Right to Play as a field facilitator, Mwita supports teachers in practical ways to enhance the student experience and the learning environment. Working in over 65 schools in the Tarime and Serengeti Districts, Mwita's work provides professional development to teachers in the more remote areas. [More](#)

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## IED East Africa in Action



**IED hosts the third Kenya National Education Conference in April 2019.**

The Education Conference looked at relevant issues affecting education in East Africa. In particular, it explored curriculum reform and considered how curriculum content can focus more on the learner. [More](#)

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## Deepening Our Impact



**IED East Africa implements donor-funded projects across Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda to strengthen the standards of education.**

Our interventions strive to enhance the quality of education for boys and girls in East Africa, particularly in marginalised communities by both raising standards for teacher education, and strengthening the capacity of existing education systems and networks. [More](#)

The [STRAPPS Project](#) works to strengthen teaching and raises achievement levels in pre-primary and primary schools.

The [Fursa Kwa Watoto](#) works in marginalised Tanzanian communities to improve development and learning outcomes through training of in-service educators.



**Dr Anil Khamis joins IED as Associate Professor.**

Dr Khamis joins IED from the University College London's Institute of Education where he was a Senior Academic and Programme Leader. He has expertise in education and international development and a long-standing association with the AKDN serving in many capacities. Dr Khamis holds a PhD from the University of London. Learn more about his research interests and other faculty members [here](#).

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## Upcoming Events



**7th Annual Research Institute**  
**4 to 6 December 2019, 9.00am - 4.00pm**  
**Salama House, Dar es Salaam**

This annual conference brings multiple stakeholders to share experiences and create collaborative partnerships. This year's theme is Early Childhood Education, Care and Development in the 21st Century.

Click [here](#) to register and submit Abstracts

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## Update from Alumni Affairs



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